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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS/DIRECTORS, USACE COMMANDS

SUBJECT: Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Institutions (HBCU/MI) Program

1. The Corps of Engineers has made significant progress in involving HBCU/MI in its programs with higher educational institutions (HEI). In FY 98 we awarded to HBCU/MI almost \$2 million in contracts or 11.6 percent of the amount to all HEI.
2. While our progress in this program is gratifying, our goal is to maximize participation of HBCU/MI in all Corps research and development, technical, education, training, and other funded programs that require the expertise of HEI to support our missions. I know you share the Chief's commitment for this very valuable program.
3. I would appreciate if you would give this program your personal attention and communicate its importance to your subordinate commands. Thank you for your continued support.

FOR THE COMMANDER:


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